## **EXHIBIT A**

### IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF DELAWARE

In re:

BROADBAND OFFICE, INC.,

Case No. 04-407 (GMS)

Debtor.

Bankruptcy C.A. No. 01-1720 (GMS) Chapter 11

BROADBAND OFFICE, INC.,

Plaintiff,

v.

TECHNOLOGY CREDIT CORPORATION d/b/a EXTREME NETWORKS CREDIT CORPORATION, EXTREME NETWORKS, INC.,

and

KEY EQUIPMENT FINANCE, INC. f/k/a/ KEY CORPORATE CAPITAL, INC. f/k/a LEASTEC CORPORATION,

Defendants.

# DEFENDANT TECHNOLOGY CREDIT CORPORATION'S AMENDED ANSWER TO PLAINTIFF'S AMENDED COMPLAINT AND CROSS-CLAIM

Defendant, Technology Credit Corporation d/b/a Extreme Networks Credit Corporation ("Defendant"), answering the Plaintiff's Amended Complaint for Avoidance of Prepetition Transfers (the "Amended Complaint") filed herein, admits, denies and alleges as follows:

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Plaintiff in the ordinary course of business or financial affairs of Plaintiff and said third party; made in the ordinary course of business or financial affairs of Plaintiff and said third party; and made according to ordinary business terms.

WHEREFORE, Defendant prays for judgment as follows:

- 1. That Plaintiff take nothing by its Amended Complaint;
- For Defendant's costs of suit incurred herein; and 2.
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CROSS-CLAIM OF DEFENDANT/CROSS-CLAIM PLAINTIFF TECHNOLOGY CREDIT CORPORATION d/b/a EXTREME NETWORKS CREDIT CORPORATION AGAINST KEY EQUIPMENT FINANCE INC. f/k/a KEY CORPORATE CAPITAL, INC. f/k/a LEASTEC CORPORATION

Defendant/Cross-Claim Plaintiff, Technology Credit Corporation d/b/a Extreme Networks Credit Corp. ("TCC"), as and for its cross-claims against Key Equipment Finance Inc. f/k/a/ Key Corporate Capital, Inc. f/k/a Leastec Corporation ("Key") hereby alleges as follows:

- 4. The cross-claims set forth below are based, in part, on information and belief unless stated otherwise.
- 5. The cross-claims set forth below are made pursuant to Fed. R. Civ. P. 13(g). The Cross-Claim Defendant is a proper cross-claim defendant under Fed. R. Civ. P. 13(g), because its liability to TCC, as set forth herein, is dependent and derivative of any liability that TCC is found to have toward Plaintiff in this case.
- 6. This Court has jurisdiction over the cross-claims set forth below under 28 U.S.C. §§ 157, 1334 and 1367.
  - This is a non-core proceeding. 7.

- 8. Without admitting any of the allegations of the Amended Complaint not otherwise specifically admitted above, TCC refers to, and incorporates in this cross-complaint by reference, the Amended Complaint.
- 9. TCC denies that it is liable to Plaintiff in any respect. However, in the event that TCC is held liable to Plaintiff, TCC cross-claims against Key on the grounds that TCC is entitled to equitable indemnity, apportionment of liability and contribution from Key, including reasonable attorneys fees and costs incurred in defending this action.
- 10. Pursuant to a written agreement dated October 10, 1988, TCC and Key, then Leastec, entered into a contract whereby TCC agreed to offer for sale to Key certain equipment which TCC would, from time to time, purchase from various manufacturers and for which TCC would have entered into leases with various lessees. With respect to any equipment purchased by Key, upon closing Key would acquire all rights and privileges of TCC set forth in the applicable agreements between TCC and the manufacturer from whom it acquired the equipment.
- agreement, X163 (the "Master Lease Agreement X163") with Plaintff. Under the terms of the Master Lease Agreement X163, TCC agreed to lease to Plaintiff certain equipment purchased from Extreme Networks, Inc. identified in various lease schedules entered into pursuant to the Master Lease Agreement X163. The lease schedules incorporated the terms of the Master Lease Agreement X163.
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X163 were sold and assigned in whole to Key. Pursuant to the Bills of Sale and Assignment, TCC transferred all of its "right, title and interest in and to the equipment" related to the leases and assigned all of its rights under the leases to Key.

- 13. The alleged Transfers (as defined in the Amended Complaint) were made by Plaintiff to Key on account of invoices prepared by Key and related to the lease schedules 01 through 06. Upon information and belief, the alleged Transfers (as defined in the Amended Complaint) were deposited into a Key account for the benefit of Key and applied by Key to specific Key invoices related to lease schedules 01 through 06.
- 14. Following the sale and assignment to Key, TCC had no rights or interests in the lease schedules 01 through 06 or in the underlying equipment. The alleged Transfers at issue in the Amended Complaint were made to and entirely for the benefit of Key. TCC never received any of the Transfers, at no time had possession of any of the Transfers and received no benefit from the Transfers.
- or part of the alleged Transfers (as defined in the Amended Complaint), then Key is liable to TCC for some or all amounts that TCC is required to pay to Plaintiff and for all other losses suffered by TCC as a result of Plaintiff's action against it. TCC is entitled to equitable indemnity, apportionment of liability and contribution from Key for the damages allegedly suffered by Plaintiff.
- 16. On information and belief, Key agreed to indemnify TCC for and hold TCC harmless against, among other things, any loss suffered by TCC as a result of

Plaintiff's action against TCC, including without limitation any judgment entered in favor of Plaintiff against TCC.

- 17. Even absent an express agreement to indemnify and hold TCC harmless against loss, as a result of the sale and assignment of schedules 01 through 06 to Key, TCC is entitled to be indemnified and held harmless by Key for any loss suffered by TCC as a result of Plaintiff's action against TCC, including without limitation, any judgment entered in favor of Plaintiff against TCC.
- 18. Further, to the extent that Plaintiff is successful in avoiding and recovering alleged preferential transfers from TCC, TCC is entitled to contribution from and apportionment of liability with Key, at minimum, to the extent that any such transfers were received by Key.
- 19. Alternatively, in the event Plaintiff is successful in avoiding and recovering alleged preferential transfers from TCC, Key, who was the recipient of such transfers, will have been unjustly enriched at TCC's expense in the amount of such avoided and recovered transfers. Equity and good conscience require that Key be compelled to repay such amounts to TCC.

WHEREFORE, TCC prays for judgment as follows:

- (a) entering judgment in favor of TCC and against Key; and
- (b) awarding to TCC as damages the amount of any judgment against TCC on Plaintiff's claims together with all litigation costs, fees and expenses and such other relief as the Court deems appropriate.

Dated: Wilmington, Delaware

June \_\_\_, 2006

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- 12. Pursuant to TCC's contract with Key, between March 9, 2000 and July 20, 2000, lease schedules 01 through 06 together with the Master Lease Agreement

X163 were sold and assigned in whole to Key. Pursuant to the Bills of Sale and Assignment, TCC transferred all of its "right, title and interest in and to the equipment" related to the leases and assigned all of its rights under the leases to Key.

- 13. The alleged Transfers (as defined in the Amended Complaint) were made by Plaintiff to Key on account of invoices prepared by Key and related to the lease schedules 01 through 06. Upon information and belief, the alleged Transfers (as defined in the Amended Complaint) were deposited into a Key account for the benefit of Key and applied by Key to specific Key invoices related to lease schedules 01 through 06.
- 14. Following the sale and assignment to Key, TCC had no rights or interests in the lease schedules 01 through 06 or in the underlying equipment. The alleged Transfers at issue in the Amended Complaint were made to and entirely for the benefit of Key. TCC never received any of the Transfers, at no time had possession of any of the Transfers and received no benefit from the Transfers.
- or part of the alleged Transfers (as defined in the Amended Complaint), then Key is liable to TCC for some or all amounts that TCC is required to pay to Plaintiff and for all other losses suffered by TCC as a result of Plaintiff's action against it. TCC is entitled to equitable indemnity, apportionment of liability and contribution from Key for the damages allegedly suffered by Plaintiff.
- 16. On information and belief, Key agreed to indemnify TCC for and hold TCC harmless against, among other things, any loss suffered by TCC as a result of

Plaintiff's action against TCC, including without limitation any judgment entered in favor of Plaintiff against TCC.

- 17. Even absent an express agreement to indemnify and hold TCC harmless against loss, as a result of the sale and assignment of schedules 01 through 06 to Key, TCC is entitled to be indemnified and held harmless by Key for any loss suffered by TCC as a result of Plaintiff's action against TCC, including without limitation, any judgment entered in favor of Plaintiff against TCC.
- 18. Further, to the extent that Plaintiff is successful in avoiding and recovering alleged preferential transfers from TCC, TCC is entitled to contribution from and apportionment of liability with Key, at minimum, to the extent that any such transfers were received by Key.
- 19. Alternatively, in the event Plaintiff is successful in avoiding and recovering alleged preferential transfers from TCC, Key, who was the recipient of such transfers, will have been unjustly enriched at TCC's expense in the amount of such avoided and recovered transfers. Equity and good conscience require that Key be compelled to repay such amounts to TCC.

WHEREFORE, TCC prays for judgment as follows:

- (a) entering judgment in favor of TCC and against Key; and
- (b) awarding to TCC as damages the amount of any judgment against TCC on Plaintiff's claims together with all litigation costs, fees and expenses and such other relief as the Court deems appropriate.

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